

THE BASICS OF HUNTING IN KENTUCKY

2006-07 Kentucky Hunting Seasons

DEER

Modern Gun	Zones 1-2	Nov. 11-26, 2006
	Zones 3-4	Nov. 11-20, 2006
Archery	Statewide	Sept. 2, 2006 - Jan. 15, 2007
Crossbow	Statewide	Oct. 1-22 and Nov. 11 - Dec. 31, 2006
Youth Only Firearms	Statewide	Oct. 14-15, 2006
Muzzleloader	Statewide	Oct. 21-22 and Dec. 9-17, 2006
Free Youth Weekend*	Statewide	Dec. 30-31, 2006

*During the Free Youth Deer Hunting Weekend ONLY, hunters ages **15 and under** may hunt deer with a firearm without a license or deer permit, if accompanied by an adult. (See elsewhere for county zones, harvest restrictions and hunter requirements for each zone.)

ELK

Zone At-Large Quota Hunts:

Antlered Elk, firearms	Oct. 7-13, 2006
Antlerless Elk, firearms	Dec. 9-22, 2006
Either Sex Elk, archery	Oct. 7, 2006 - Jan. 15, 2007
Limited Entry Area Quota Hunts:	
Antlered Elk, firearms	Oct. 7-13, 2006
Antlerless Elk, firearms	Dec. 9-15, 2006

Legal deer hunters who possess an elk application permit may take elk from any county NOT included in the elk restoration zone following deer season and equipment regulations.

TURKEY

Fall Archery	Sept. 2, 2006 - Jan. 15, 2007
Fall Crossbow	Oct. 1-22 and Nov. 11 - Dec. 31, 2006
Fall Shotgun	Oct. 28 - Nov. 3 and Dec. 2-8, 2006
Spring Youth Only	April 7-8, 2007
Spring	April 14 - May 6, 2007

SQUIRREL

Fall	Aug. 19 - Nov. 10 and Nov. 13, 2006 - Feb. 28, 2007
Spring	June 2 - 15, 2007

CROW

Sept. 1 - Nov. 7, 2006 and Jan. 4 - Feb. 28, 2007

OTTER

Noon Nov. 13, 2006 - noon Feb. 28, 2007

Check the KDFWR website at fw.ky.gov or call 1-800-858-1549 for current regulations regarding river otter harvest zone.

BOBCAT Open statewide

Noon Nov. 13, 2006 - Jan. 31, 2007

COYOTE, WILD HOG & GROUNDHOG

Open statewide and year-round.

COYOTE TRAPPING

Noon Nov. 13, 2006 - noon Feb. 28, 2007

RABBIT & QUAIL

Nov. 13, 2006 - Feb. 10, 2007, in the following counties: Allen, Ballard, Butler, Caldwell, Calloway, Carlisle, Christian, Crittenden, Daviess, Fulton, Graves, Hancock, Henderson, Hickman, Hopkins, Livingston, Logan, Lyon, Marshall, McLean, McCracken, Muhlenberg, Ohio, Simpson, Todd, Trigg, Union, Warren and Webster.

Nov. 1-10 and Nov. 13, 2006 - Jan. 31, 2007 in all other counties.

GROUSE

Nov. 13, 2006 - Feb. 28, 2007 in the following counties only: Adair, Bath, Bell, Boyd, Bracken, Breathitt, Campbell, Carter, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Cumberland, Elliott, Estill, Fleming, Floyd, Garrard, Greenup, Harlan, Harrison, Jackson, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Lewis, Lincoln, Madison, Magoffin, Martin, Mason, McCreary, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Nicholas, Owsley, Pendleton, Perry, Pike, Powell, Pulaski, Robertson, Rockcastle, Rowan, Russell, Wayne, Whitley and Wolfe.

RACCOON & OPOSSUM HUNTING

Nov. 1, 2006 - noon Feb. 28, 2007; hunting only at night during Modern Gun Deer Season.

RACCOON & OPOSSUM TRAPPING

Noon Nov. 13, 2006 - noon Feb. 28, 2007

MUSKRAT, MINK, BEAVER, RED FOX, GRAY FOX, WEASEL & STRIPED SKUNK HUNTING/TRAPPING

Noon Nov. 13, 2006 - noon Feb. 28, 2007

FREE YOUTH SMALL GAME HUNTING & TRAPPING WEEK

Dec. 30, 2006 - Jan. 5, 2007

NOTE: Seasons on Wildlife Management Areas & other public hunting lands not managed by the KDFWR may be different from those above. Please check individual area listings for WMAs.

General Rules for All Hunting

1. You can NOT hunt on someone else's land unless they say so.
2. Unless the law says you don't need a license, you must buy the right hunting license and permits for the kind of hunting you do. You must have proof of buying those licenses and permits with you when you hunt.
3. You can only hunt when the season is open for that species. The type of firearm and ammunition, or archery equipment you use must be legal. You can take no more game than the daily or season bag limits allow.
4. Anyone hunting where and when a gun deer or elk season is open must wear hunter orange color on the head, chest and back, that is visible to others at all times.
5. All hunters born after January 1, 1975 must pass a hunter education course before hunting on any land besides land they own. Kids do not have to take the class until they are 10 years old, but must always hunt with an adult.